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Partisan Politics and the New Charter.

The Register tries to make a partisan point on the proposed charter for Wheeling by trying to fasten that instrument on the Republican council. Here is some Register driven on the subject:

Two years ago a "reform" government was elected to govern the city of Wheeling. How it ruled we all know by this time, to our sorrow. One of the most important reforms of the new administration was to be the establishment of a brand-new charter for the city of Wheeling, which would cure the ills of the existing charter.

Well, the new "reform" council seized the job. Here was the promise of "Reform," with a big R. They took hold of it with more or less vim and vigor. There is no need to enter into detail with which the public have long been familiar.

The truth is that in January last council passed a resolution providing for the appointment of eight of its own members, four from each branch, to "confer with a like number of citizens" of whom the Chamber of Commerce, the Trades Assembly, the Builders' Exchange and the mayor were each to furnish two. It was declared in the resolution that the creation of this committee was "for the purpose of taking into consideration the expediency of framing a new charter for the city, and their action to be reported back to council at the earliest time possible." It was provided further that "the committee shall be non-partisan." Was the work done in a partisan way? Let the committee itself, speaking through the report signed by its chairman, answer. The answer will be found on page 4 of the report:

It gives the chairman pleasure to report that those who have been actively engaged in the work of the commission have throughout been devoted to the interests of the people of the city, and that, while there have been differences of opinion, both in the sub-committee and in the general committee, those differences have not in any instance been dictated by party considerations. There has never been a division along party lines. The commission, while bi-partisan in its composition, has been non-partisan in its action.

By a unanimous vote, the report says, the committee resolved "to recommend to council that, for the purpose of ascertaining the wish of the people, this charter be submitted to a vote of the people of the city at a special election." The council undertook nothing more than to give this special committee an opportunity to frame a new charter. It did not agree to submit it to the people and it did not agree to try to pass it. There is nothing partisan about it.

As to the matter of submission, the Intelligencer has said that it thinks it would be well to submit it to the people. There is some partisan politics in this suggestion. If the people desire the new charter it is their right to have it. If they reject it, that will close such mouths as the Register's. It will then be impossible to say with truth that the Republican council would not give the people a chance to adopt the charter.

We gather from the opposition organs that in their opinion Mr. Hanna made a mistake to permit himself to be born.

Not Weyler's Way.

Weyler, returning from the front, has brought back a case of intense disgust. He is out of sorts with the Cuban way of fighting. Instead of fighting his way, they fight their own way, and Weyler cannot whip them. Weyler's way is for them to come out and let him overwhelm them with numbers. Their way is to split up in small parties as he approaches and worry him all they can without permitting him to use them up.

Men fighting as the Cubans are fighting, on their own soil, with inferior force and short equipment, are in the habit of making the best of their position and giving the other side the least possible chance. Our own Indians have bothered and disgusted us a good deal in this way.

Perhaps if Weyler could get the Cubans together in a bunch in an open field he might wipe them out. But the Cubans did not start in to make it easy for Spain to overcome them. Their plan of campaign is well suited to their situation, and though it may not be grand war it is very effective.

They have been carrying it on for nearly two years with very great success. They have not driven the Spaniards from the island, but the Spaniards seem as far as ever from driving the Cubans into submission. This is a real gain for the Cubans. Spain has gained nothing but loss. The end will be Cuban independence.

Wheeling does not stand in the front rank as a foot ball town. Yesterday was fine for out-door sport, but Wheeling did not turn out in force to see a good game of foot ball.

President Cleveland's Ambitions.

President Cleveland is credited with the laudible ambition to go out of office leaving the gold reserve intact. From present indications he will be able to do this. Since Bryanism was hit on the head people who were hoarding gold have shown an impatient desire to get rid of it by turning it into the banks, and the banks have shown a similar desire to turn it into the treasury.

The demand abroad for our food products should insure us a comfortable balance of trade in our favor, and this

will bring more gold to the country and leave still less reason for hoarding it. People do not hoard things that are plentiful and likely to remain so. So the probability is that when Mr. Cleveland retires he will be able to turn over to President McKinley's administration a round hundred millions of gold as a reserve.

If he could turn over at the same time enough money to run the government on and give it a chance to resume the old plan of paying off the national debt, the country would be still better pleased and the party going into power would have plainer sailing at the start.

Mr. Bryan fears that he may not be able to keep his footing on the high pedestal upon which his gushing admirers have set him. Brace up Mr. Bryan. Don't let your native modesty overcome you.

The German Military Machine.

The German emperor has once more been telling his soldiers their duty. From the point of view of the emperor the mission in life of a German is to stand by the emperor and be ready to be killed if he says so.

On the other hand, if the soldier happens to be an officer it is his right to kill a civilian on slight provocation or without provocation, and the emperor will protect him in the exercise of that right.

Between these two imperial views of the army the emperor is making the people of Germany pretty sick of his military establishment. It is a costly machine kept well oiled to be ready for instant use, and it seems to be as merciless as it is costly.

One of these fine days the intelligence of Germany will call a halt, and there will be a change full of interest for the emperor. The present emperor is unconsciously helping to bring this on.

Notwithstanding all that Senator Peffer has done for Kansas, his country, Populism and himself, there are Populists in Kansas who think it time for Peffer to go out of the senate and for one of them to go in. Is there in Kansas a better type of the Kansas Populist? Does not Peffer fill the cup to overflowing? Bosh! There is not another such prodigy of whiskers in that bewhiskered state. If the Peffer kind is to remain in the senate, let Peffer alone. Peffer is a real picture and he needs no frame.

It sounds odd for the ambassador of a great country to be "commanded" by the queen of England to dine with her. That is the way our ambassador got his invitation to eat Thanksgiving turkey with her majesty, and it would seem that in this day an invitation to an ambassador might go as an invitation, not as a command. The form is old, and royalty is a great stickler for ancient form and ceremony.

In the judgment of the Register should the proposed new city charter be adopted or rejected? Should council submit it to the people? While not all of the people have had an opportunity to examine the proposed charter, the Register has had the opportunity.

BRYAN'S BRASS.

There is something about Mr. Bryan's proposed lecture tour that is grimly suggestive of posthumous work—Washington Star.

If Bryan, Jones & Company want real fun they should go a little further west and try the "silver tip bears."—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Bryan's friends will be gratified to learn that he has shot a deer. It is the first hit he has made since the Chicago convention.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Can't Bryan be paired with some other orator for a matter of twenty or thirty years? The country would like a set-up on eloquence for a generation or so.—New York Advertiser.

If Bryan continues to talk free coinage, the people may be utterly disgusted with the issue by 1900.—Cleveland Leader.

"I have had all the rest I need," says William, of Nebraska. Oh, dear! Is he going to get wound up again?—Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune.

It was to be expected that Mr. Bryan would write a book.—Baltimore News.

Mr. Bryan's reputation as a "finished" orator was thoroughly established by the recent election, only he doesn't seem to realize it.—Oil City Derrick.

An after-dinner speaker in England calls him "Mr. Bryant."—Baltimore News.

HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT.

There are very few men who aren't ashamed of some of their relatives. When a man identifies a married woman and she knows it, she will never admit that he is home.

Why is it when women sleep together they always spend half the night talking about their husbands?

When a man tells other men about his approaching marriage, he tries to use a jaded, matter-of-fact tone.

A woman never sees a fussy little wadded net cap for a baby without wanting to smuggle her face down in it.

A man can never understand the feeling a woman has, that she is not undressed so long as she has her stockings on.

The worst tempered woman in the world tries her best to look angelic when she has her picture taken with a baby on her lap.

A woman can never quite understand what is going to become of her husband when they get to heaven, if there is no such thing as marriage here.

The average man spends the first six months after his marriage wondering why he can't do it sooner, and the next six wondering why he did it at all.—New York Press.

His Gran'pa.

Philadelphia North American. My gran'pa is a funny man, He's Scotch as he can be. I tries to catch him all I can, But he puts me like a pie. I've told him forty thousand times, But 'tain't a bit of use. He always says a man's a "mon," And calls a house a "hoose."

He plays me on most every day And rides me on his knee. He took me to a picnic once And dressed up just like me. He says I am a "dumy bairn," And kisses me, and when I asks him why he can't talk right, He says, "I dinna ken."

But me and him has lots of fun, He's such a funny man, I dance for him and brush his hair, And loves him all I can. I calls him Andrew—that's his name— And he says I can't talk. And then he puts his plate on And takes me for a walk. I tells him forty thousand times, But 'tain't a bit of use; He always says a man's a "mon," And calls a house a "hoose."

THEY BURN AND STING.

Whereas animals take their food without seasoning, mankind has racked the earth high and low to gather spices and condiments. Pepper has long been known and valued and it is one of the oldest of spices. For ages it was a staple of commerce between India and Europe, and it became so valuable that Alaric in 468 demanded 3,000 pounds of it as part of the ransom of Rome. So expensive was it in the middle ages that the Portuguese sought a sea route to India to procure it.

Jamaica has the allspice which gets the credit of taking the place of many different spices; South America rejoices in the chile, which is used in great quantities.

Cinnamon, a small portion of which was once held a present which kings were glad to receive, is a native of Ceylon and has been known from the most remote time. It was first carried to Europe by the Arabs. Cassia bark is a relative of cinnamon and is prized for flavoring liquors and chocolate.

The Malabar coast of India furnishes the natives with cardamom and mustard comes from the East Indies.

The Spice islands have given the world four things more popular than the dried buds of a tree smoked and dried in the sun, named in Latin from their resemblance to a nail, clavus, and called by us, cloves. In the same group of islands a small collection of islands are planted entirely in nutmeg trees.

Caraway, from the northern and central parts of Europe and Asia, is used as flavoring in cooking and drinks, in cheese, cakes and bread. Dill, native to Portugal and the east, is employed as a seasoning and capers originally grew wild in Greece and northern Africa. Asafetida, which has an unsavory reputation among us, is highly prized as a condiment in Persia and India and is used in France.

Sugar, which we class among the indispensable, was wholly unknown among the ancient nations and for that reason they used honey as we use sugar. Honey was therefore a very important article of diet.

Salt was formerly entirely produced by evaporation of sea water. If the entire ocean were dried up it would yield no less than 4,415,360 cubic miles of salt. It is estimated that about fourteen and one-half times the entire bulk of Europe above high water mark, mountains and all. Evaporation is still practiced on the seaboard. Portugal produces annually 250,000 tons; Spain, 300,000 tons; Italy, 165,000 tons, and Austria, 100,000 tons at points on the coast.

How it Happened.

Washington Post: "The way that the Democrats happened to get one Bryan elected in Kentucky," said Hon. Walter Evans, who represents the Louisville district, to a Post reporter at the Normandy, "was through the wrong marking of ballots. We have the Australian system, and the voters, in order to vote the entire ticket, must mark under the device of the ticket he chooses. Instead of this a great many voters on both sides marked opposite the name of the first Presidential elector and so that ballot was counted only for that single elector, being void as to the other twelve."

"In this way the first man on the Bryan ticket ran ahead of all the McKinley electors, except the first in order on the Republican ticket. As it happened, about the same number of both Republicans and Democratic voters made the same blunder, for if all the mistakes had been on the Republican side the result would have been very different."

The Largest Majority.

Philadelphia Times: Galusha A. Grow, the veteran Congressman-at-large from Pennsylvania, maintains his position as the man with the largest majority against all comers. He won the position in both the elections of 1892 and 1894, even exceeding Hastings' large majority over Singler. McKinley's majority in Pennsylvania is 25,070, while Grow's plurality over De Witt (Democrat), for Congressman-at-large, is 25,746. Although Grow entered the public service as a Congressman before any other member of the present house, he is yet one of the most vigorous and efficient members of the body, and, of course, among the ripest in experience.

It Works That Way.

Mrs. Uppenyte—William, what do you mean by letting that child eat those dried apples. Don't you know they'll hurt him?

Mr. Uppenyte—You always said you wanted him to have some social pretensions.

Mrs. Uppenyte—Well, what on earth has that got to do with it?

Mr. Uppenyte—Just wait a little while, and he'll be a regular howling swell!—New York Press.

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The Populists of Kansas Want to Succeed—A Scorching Criticism.

The Populist Kansas City World, a valiant defender of our noble cause of sixteen to one and repudiation, prints a thrilling story to the effect that Kansas is going to succeed from the Union. At first thought this seems a little—not very, but just a little—startling. But as the idea sinks deeper, it strikes root and grows and waxes strong and blossoms and bears logical and delicious fruit. The idea is a good one.

Let's succeed. Let's tear loose from the plutocracy and arraignance and brains and respectability of the corrupt and unsympathetic east. Let's gather to ourselves here in Kansas all our jewels and flounce out of the sisterhood of states. Let's take our doll rags and quit civilization and annex ourselves to barbarism. Let's abolish interest; make poverty a felony; punish work with a sentence of enforced silence; make thinking a penal offense; enact brains into buttermilk; paint over "ad astra per aspera" with blue mud, and in its place inscribe in letters of seething goose-grease, "Vive la Lease—Hurrah for Hell!"

What's the use of being bound up with communities that are chained to old superstitions and what they call honesty? We of Kansas want to pulverize the money power; we want to pay our mortgages in silver, tin, sheet iron, pot metal, asbestos, paper mache, and wampum. The pent-up Utica and Schenectady and other plutocratic centres contract our powers. With these communities constantly treading on the ruffles of her garments, Kansas is handicapped. She can't bring forth the royalty diadem, with the bright glistering star of flap-doodle shimmering in the tala, and crown Bryan lord of all. We cannot bow our devout knees to the wall-eyed joss of Tommy-rot from day's end to day's end as our pious spirits would, because, forsooth, the laws of nature, enforced by the military of the bondholders, compel us to saw wood or go hungry, fish or cut bait. Therefore, let us secede. What ho there, Alabama! Aux armes Citoyens of Arkansas! Arouse ye, Florida! Rally round the standard of Jerry Simpson who boasts of his "flat money lunacy" shouting the battle-cry of Kansas. Peffer forever, hurrah, boys hurrah; up with Bill Bryan, down with the law, for we'll rally 'round his Whiskers, we'll rally once again, shouting the battle-cry of Kansas.

It war shall show his wrinkled front, let's get a flat-iron and smooth it out. This is a great day for Kansas.

"Allons, enfants de la Patrie. Le jour de gloire est arrive."

—Emporia (Kan.), Gazette.

THE RAILWAY VOTE.

Railway Age Tells What the Road Men Did in the Election.

The Railway Age publishes a detailed analysis of the railway vote in the recent election. The paper remarks: "In all there were six hundred railroad men and fifty other club points during the campaign. Two hundred of these, with a membership of one hundred thousand, were distributed among twenty-three large cities, through the various wards and precincts of which the members were so scattered that it would be impossible to arrive at any close estimate of the weight of the influence of the railway men. From one hundred and fifty other club points the returns are given in detail in comparison with the vote of 1892. These one hundred and fifty club points in 1892 gave a Democratic majority of 9,556. This was converted in 1896 into a Republican majority of 149,274. There was an increase in the Republican vote cast of 147,568, and an actual Democratic falling off from the vote of four years ago of 11,364. The Republican net gain at one hundred and thirty-four points was 169,581. Deducting the Democratic gain at the remainder of the one hundred and fifty club points the net Republican gain was 159,229 votes."

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